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**KING'S
RANSOM**

the AMAZING SPIDER-MAN



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PETER PARKER was bitten by a radioactive spider and gained the proportional speed, strength, and agility of a SPIDER, adhesive fingertips and toes, and the unique precognitive awareness of danger called "SPIDER-SENSE"! After the tragic death of his Uncle Ben, Peter understood that with great power there must also come great responsibility. He became the crimefighting super hero called...

The Amazing SPIDER-MAN

KING'S RANSOM *Part One*

To make ends meet, Peter took a high-paying gig from Norah Winters and J. Jonah Jameson at *Threats & Menaces*. The gig came with a new high-tech suit, which allows *TNM* subscribers to watch the world through Spidey's eyes. Subscriptions went through the roof as viewers got to experience Spider-Man take down super villains, who seem to be cropping up at an alarming rate.

The villains are working for NYC mayor Wilson Fisk, A.K.A. the Kingpin, who's seeking the pieces of the powerful Lifeline Tablet. Peter and his roommate, "reformed villain" Fred Myers, A.K.A. Boomerang, have been trying to keep the pieces out of Kingpin's hands, so Kingpin is doing everything in his power to distract Spidey and Boomerang while he schemes behind the scenes. Meanwhile, Peter's other roommate, Randy Robertson--son of the *Daily Bugle's* Robbie Robertson--has rekindled his relationship with Janice Lincoln. She's the villain known as the Beetle--and the daughter of Robbie's archenemy, Tombstone!

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JUST
KNOW, HARRY--
I WOULD GIVE
ANYTHING--

--ANYTHING
AT ALL--TO
GO BACK TO
THAT DAY.



TO
BEFORE
I...

YOU
MUST
BELIEVE ME,
SON.



I DIDN'T
KNOW...



THE FOOL.
HE THINKS NO
ONE CAN OVERRIDE
THE SECURITY AND
SURVEILLANCE
SYSTEMS OF HIS
HOSPITAL.



HE FORGETS
THAT RAVENCROFT
BELONGS TO
WILSON FISK.

AS DOES THE
PRISONER IN HIS
CHARGE.

THIS IS YOUR
DEMON, THEN? THE
ONE YOU CALL
KINDRED?



THAT'S THE ONE. I'D
THOUGHT YOU MIGHT
RECOGNIZE HIM, GIVEN
ALL YOUR *EXPERTISE*
IN THIS AREA--



--BARON MORDO.

THE HELLS ARE BIG PLACES, KINGPIN. I MAY NOT KNOW ALL THEIR DENIZENS, BUT LUCKY FOR YOU--



--I DO KNOW WHAT MAKES THEM BLEED.

I'M MORE INTERESTED IN MAKING HIM TALK.

WHEN NEW YORK WAS TRAPPED IN DARKNESS*, YOU AND I FOUND OURSELVES AT ODDS. BUT NOW IT SEEMS OUR INTERESTS MAY ALIGN.

*BACK IN SECRET EMPIRE. --NL



OH, THE TABLET OF DEATH AND ENTROPY INTERESTS ME A GREAT DEAL, MAYOR FISK.

AND IT CAN BE YOURS FOR A SIMPLE PRICE. THE TABLET IS A MEANS TO AN END FOR ME.

THIS KINDRED CAN GIVE ME WHAT I WANT JUST AS EASILY--PROVIDED HE'S WILLING TO GRANT MY REQUEST.

AND YOU'D LIKE ME TO HELP YOU CONVINCE HIM.



VERY WELL, THEN. I DO SO LOVE A CHALLENGE. I MUST WARN YOU, THOUGH--

"--THINGS
COULD GET
VERY UGLY."

THWANG

BANG

OKAY, THINGS
ARE GETTING
PRETTY UGLY.

WE'VE BEEN MAKING
SOME REAL **PROGRESS**,
BOOMERANG AND I, ON
FINDING THE LIFELINE
TABLET FRAGMENTS BEFORE
WILSON FISK DOES.

BUT LATELY IT
SEEMS LIKE WE'VE
BEEN RUNNING
INTO A LOT OF--

KRAK

--OUTSIDE
INTERFERENCE.

IN THIS CASE,
HAMMERHEAD
AND HIS CRONIES.

THWEP

FRED--
UP
THERE!

I SEE IT!
DON'T WORRY,
SPIDEY--

BOFF



FRONK

--I'M ON IT!

GO, GO, GADGET BOOTS!

SMEK



THWEP-KWOP

UNFF-- STUPID MYERS. ALWAYS FORGET ABOUT THE BOOTS.



GUESS IT'S JUST YOU AND ME NOW, WEBS!

GZZZZ



WHICH IS NOT THE PARTNERSHIP I'M LOOKING FOR. BUT THEN AGAIN--

--MY JUDGMENT IN THAT DEPARTMENT'S BEEN OFF LATELY.



GOT IT, PAL! NOW, LET'S BLOW THIS JOI--

SO WHAT COULD BE WORSE THAN A MOB BOSS TRYING TO KILL YOU AND GET A PIECE OF A MEGA-POWERFUL ANCIENT ARTIFACT? YOU GUESSED IT--

KOOOON

--TWO MOB BOSSES TRYING TO KILL YOU AND GET A PIECE OF A MEGA-POWERFUL ANCIENT ARTIFACT.

AND IF THE OWL AND HAMMERHEAD AREN'T ENOUGH--

THE GAME'S AFOOT, GENTLEMEN!

--THANKS TO THE KINGPIN, THERE'S EVEN MORE WHERE THAT CAME FROM.



WAIT HERE.

AW, YOU *SURE* YOU DON'T WANT HELP RUSHING INTO CERTAIN DEATH?

AND IF THINGS WERE HEATING UP WITH US, WELL--

THWEP





--THAT WAS **NOTHING**
COMPARED TO WHAT
WAS GOING DOWN
BACK AT THE
APARTMENT.

OF COURSE, NOT
EVERYONE WAS
HAPPY ABOUT
THAT, EITHER.



LINCOLN...



ROBERTSON...

LOVE AND
WAR--



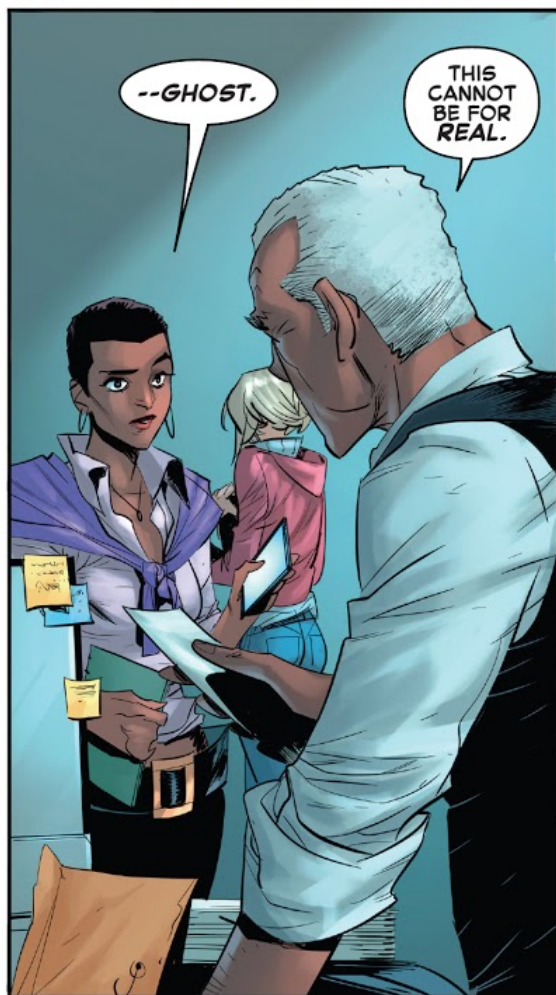
--MORE IN
COMMON THAN
YOU'D THINK.

NO...
NO...



...NO,
IT CAN'T
BE...

YOU OKAY,
BOSS? YOU
LOOK LIKE YOU
SEEN A--



--GHOST.

THIS
CANNOT
BE FOR
REAL.



GLORY, HAS
ANYBODY ELSE
SEEN THESE
PICTURES?

NO...

GOOD.
KEEP IT THAT
WAY. YOU TELL THE
PHOTOGRAPHER TO
HOLD ON TO ANY AND
ALL COPIES UNTIL I
SAY OTHERWISE,
GOT IT?



YEAH...
YEAH. I GOT
IT, ROBBIE. BUT
WHERE ARE YOU
GOING?



LET'S GET
OUT OF
HERE.

YEAH,
BECAUSE
THESE
TWO--



--THEY GOT HISTORY.

NONE OF IT GOOD.



BUT I PREFER
TO FOCUS ON
THE **PRESENT**.

AT LAST--
BOOMERANG
IS **MINE!**

ESPECIALLY
WHEN IT'S
TRYING TO
KILL US.



WAIT--
WHOSE?

THWEP



GET
YOUR WEIRD
LITTLE BIRD
HANDS OFF 'IM,
OWLSLEY!



I
WAS HERE
FIRST!



WELL, THAT'S
A LUCKY
BREAK.

THIS IS WHY
THE MOB NEVER
GETS AHEAD, YOU KNOW.
THE INFIGHTING. IT'S
NOT LIKE THE MOVIES.



IT'S JUST
LIKE THE
MOVIES.

BANG

BLAM

FEEM



GO,
FRED!
NOW!



THWEP

THWEP

WITH HIM CLEAR AND
THESE IDIOTS BUSY
TRYING TO KILL EACH
OTHER, I'VE GOT JUST
ENOUGH OF AN OPENING.



THWEP

THWEP

THE NEW SUIT
MEANS I'M MOVING
FASTER, HITTING
MORE TARGETS--



THWUUP

--MAKING
IT ALL LOOK
EASY.



THAT WAS
THE WEB-MUCK,
WASN'T IT?

OF COURSE
IT WAS THE
WEB-MUCK.

THWEP

BAD GUYS NABBED,
FRAGMENT SECURED,
AND ALL IN TIME TO
GET BACK TO MY--



--ADORING FANS?!

THWEP

THERE HE IS! THE GUY FROM THE LIVESTREAM!

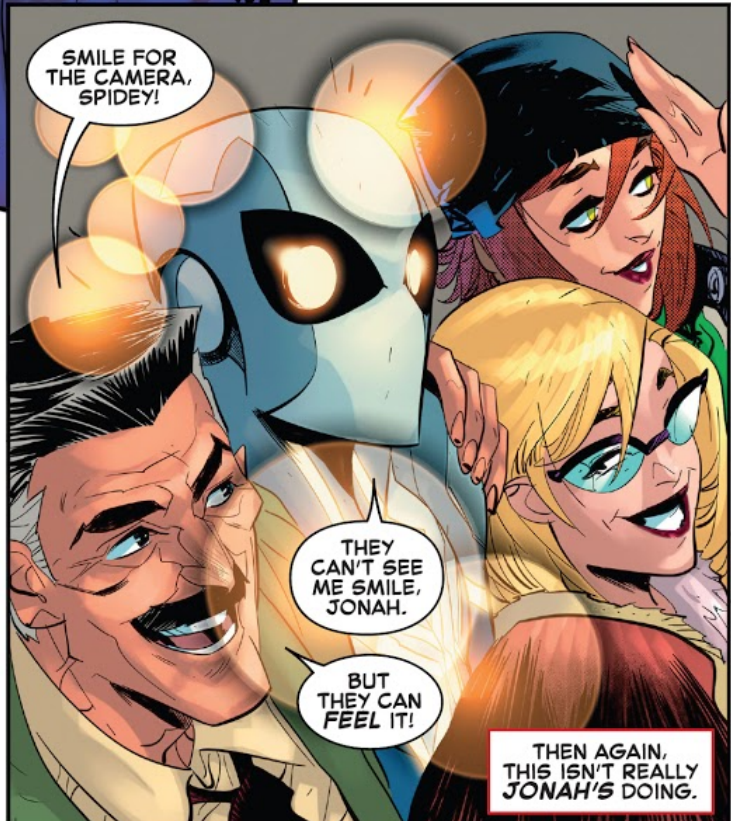


CHEERING CROWDS, SELFIES WITH INSTAGRAM CELEBRITIES-- I'M STILL GETTING USED TO THIS.



THERE HE IS!

YEAH, STILL GETTING USED TO THIS, TOO.

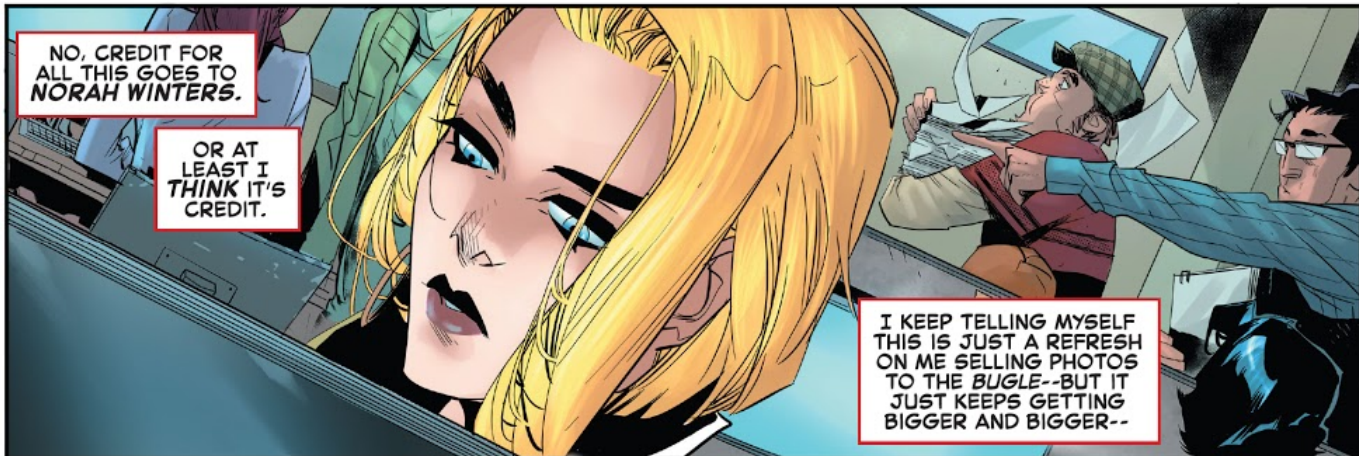


SMILE FOR THE CAMERA, SPIDEY!

THEY CAN'T SEE ME SMILE, JONAH.

BUT THEY CAN FEEL IT!

THEN AGAIN, THIS ISN'T REALLY JONAH'S DOING.



NO, CREDIT FOR ALL THIS GOES TO NORAH WINTERS.

OR AT LEAST I THINK IT'S CREDIT.

I KEEP TELLING MYSELF THIS IS JUST A REFRESH ON ME SELLING PHOTOS TO THE BUGLE--BUT IT JUST KEEPS GETTING BIGGER AND BIGGER--



--NOT THAT THERE HAVEN'T BEEN UPSIDES. PUBLIC AWARENESS, FOR ONE.

NOT **EVERYONE** BELIEVES MY SIDE OF THE STORY, BUT LIVESTREAMING THE HUNT FOR THE FRAGMENTS HAS STARTED TO PUT A REAL DENT IN MAYOR FISK'S APPROVAL RATING.



ALSO, THE MEMES ARE SOLID.



WHAT'S NOT TO LOVE?

AND DON'T FORGET TO JOIN US TOMORROW AT 7:00 EASTERN AS SPIDEY HERE DOES HIS VERY FIRST A.M.A.! SHOULD BE EXCITING!



JONAH, DO YOU EVEN KNOW WHAT AN A.M.A. IS?

NOPE.



BUT I BET ROBBIE ROBERTSON HATES IT.

TO BE FAIR, THOUGH--





H-HOW DID YOU GET THIS? WERE YOU...*SPYING* ON ME?

NO, SON-- I WAS SPYING ON *HER*.



YOU SEE, I'M AN *INVESTIGATIVE JOURNALIST*, AND THAT YOUNG LADY YOU'RE *NECKING* WITH THERE--

NECKING?

--IS A *CRIMINAL* WE'RE INVESTIGATING!

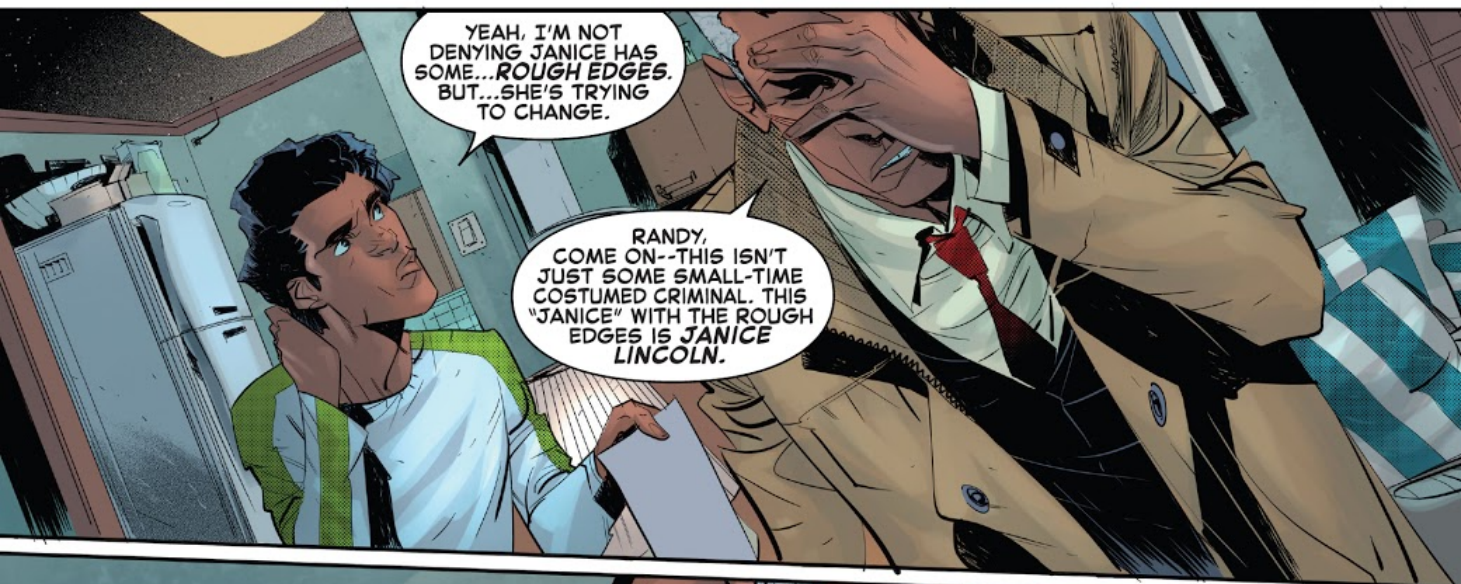


OKAY, YEAH--I GET WHY YOU'RE MAD. BUT I *PROMISE*--IT'S NOT WHAT IT LOOKS LIKE, I MEAN, IT *IS* WHAT IT LOOKS LIKE, BUT--

RANDY, YOU NEED TO *END* THIS.

YOU JUST TOLD ME TO GET BACK *TOGETHER* WITH HER!

THAT WAS *BEFORE* I KNEW SHE WAS A *SUPER VILLAIN*!



YEAH, I'M NOT DENYING JANICE HAS SOME...*ROUGH EDGES*. BUT...SHE'S TRYING TO CHANGE.

RANDY, COME ON--THIS ISN'T JUST SOME SMALL-TIME COSTUMED CRIMINAL. THIS "*JANICE*" WITH THE *ROUGH EDGES* IS *JANICE LINCOLN*.



LINCOLN.

THE APPLE DOESN'T FALL FAR FROM THE TREE.



--IT WAS NOTHING
COMPARED TO
HOW THINGS
WENT UPTOWN.

NO
##@%& WAY.
YOU HEAR
ME?!

BOOM

NO
DAUGHTER
OF MINE IS
GONNA DATE A
ROBERTSON--
YOU HEAR
ME?!

UGH.

YOU REALIZE
THE MORE YOU
COMPLAIN ABOUT IT,
THE MORE ATTRACTIVE
HE SEEMS,
RIGHT?!

YOU'RE
LUCKY I DON'T
SET THIS THING
TO VAPORIZE!

HEY,
SIRI, PLAY
"PAPA DON'T
PREACH."



I DUNNO,
RANDY...

I THINK
YOUR DAD
IS RIGHT.



OKAY, HOLD UP--PUTTING
THAT ASIDE, PETE--I JUST
TOLD YOU I'M DATING
A **SUPER VILLAIN**.
AND YOU BARELY
REACTED.

YEAH, ABOUT
THAT... I KINDA
ALREADY
KNEW.

WHAT?!

WELL,
SPIDER-MAN
TOLD ME--



SPIDER-MAN
KNOWS?!



YEP. HE SAW YOU AND HER,
UH--HE DIDN'T **MEAN** TO!
HE WASN'T, Y'KNOW, BEING A
SPIDER-CREEP. IT WAS
AN ACCIDENT.

SOMETIMES
WHEN HE CRAWLS
BY WINDOWS, HE
SEES THINGS NO
ONE SHOULD
EVER SEE.

BUT
WHAT I WANNA
KNOW IS--



--HOW DID THE
TWO OF YOU EVEN
MEET?!

I MEAN,
THIS IS TOO
HILARIOUS.



WELL, I'M GLAD
YOU ALL ARE SO
ENTERTAINED.

OH, **COME**
ON--THIS IS
PRETTY GREAT.
BIG-TIME SUPER-CROOK
JANICE LINCOLN
IS DATING A
CIVILIAN?

A CIVILIAN
WHO'S A DO-GOODER
SOCIAL WORKER THAT
YOUR MOB BOSS DAD
HATES BECAUSE OF
HIS DAD.

HE'S
CUTE, TOO.
I JUST
FACEBOOK-
STALKED
HIM.



I LOVE IT. IT'S LIKE
ROMEO AND JULIET,
IF JULIET ALSO PULLED
OFF **JEWEL HEISTS**
ON THE SIDE.

AND WE ALL KNOW
HOW GREAT THAT
TURNED OUT.

WHICH
BRINGS US
BACK TO HOW
IT **BEGAN**.

~SIGH~
IT'S ACTUALLY
A GREAT STORY...











--THEY'RE GREAT 'TIL
YOU GET PUNCHED IN
THE FACE, RIGHT?

ONE
MORE PIECE
TO GO.

'COURSE,
THAT'S NOT
COUNTING ALL
THE PIECES
KINGPIN
HAS...

I TOLD
YOU, FRED.
LET ME--AND
SPIDER-MAN--
WORRY ABOUT
THOSE.

YOU JUST LET
ME KNOW WHEN YOU
GET THAT **LAST VISION**
FROM THE OLD CLERK
GIVING US A LOCATION--
ANYTHING YET?

NOTHING.
IT'S GONNA
BE **BEAUTIFUL**,
THOUGH.
AIN'T IT?

IT
SURE
IS.

MAN, I
GOTTA ADMIT--
THIS FEELS GOOD.
MY CHANCE TO FINALLY
DO SOMETHING
RIGHT.

MY
CHANCE
TO BE A
HERO.

STILL,
GOTTA
ADMIT--

--I DID NOT SEE
THAT COMING.

SLAM



THIS ONE IS NOT TO BE TRIFLED WITH.

WHOA. MADAME MASQUE. OKAY. BIG FAN. BIG, BIG FAN. I MEAN, SERIOUSLY, YOU'VE BEEN A ROLE MODEL AND AN INSPIRATION TO ME FOR SO MANY YEARS. NOT JUST BEING AN INCREDIBLY SUCCESSFUL FEMALE MOB BOSS, BUT ALSO HAVING TO DO ALL THAT FROM THE SHADOW OF A SUCCESSFUL FATHER IN THE SAME INDUSTRY--

--AND FOR YOU TO SAY, ABOUT ME, THAT I'M NOT ONE TO BE TRIFLED WITH, IS REALLY JUST AN INCREDIBLE HON--

KRAK

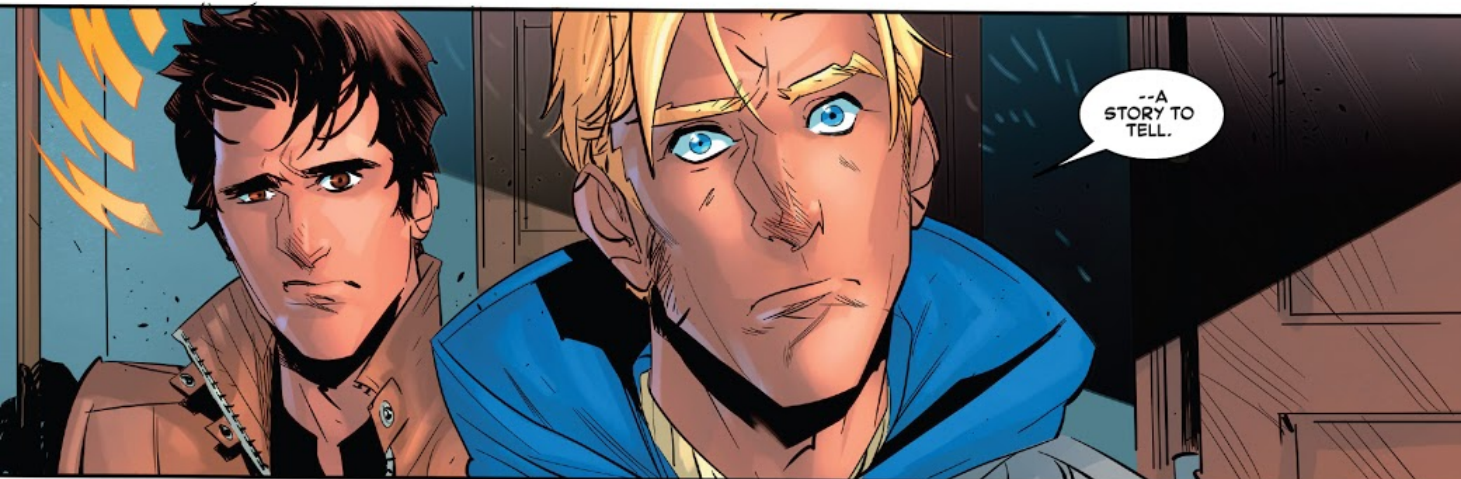
I MAY BE GETTING SOFT IN MY AGE, GIRL--

--BUT NOT THAT SOFT.

ALL RIGHT, THEN, LET'S GET THESE TWO--

RANDY?

YOU DECENT? MAN, HAVE WE GOT--





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